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SUBJECT: SECSTATE VISIT ROME AND WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE

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1. WFC SHCHEDULE FOR MORNING NOVEMBER 5 IS AGAIN IN QUESTION AND
POSES REAL PROBLEMS FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER'S SCHEDULE. UN NEW
YORK HAS CABLED WFC ORGANIZERS IN ROME PROPOSING FOLLOWING SCHEDULE
FOR WFC NOVEMBER 5:

1100-1300 SECRETARY GENERAL WALDHEIM OPENS CONFERENCE AND

INTRODUCES PRESIDENT LEONE.

PRESIDENT PEONE ADDRESSES CONFERENCE.

SHORT BREAK TO PERMIT WALDHEIM TO ESCORT

PRESIDENT LEONE FROM CONFERENCE.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT OF WFC.

STATEMENT BY PRESIDENT OF WFC.

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STATEMENT BY SECRETARY GENERAL OF WFC MAREI.

REPORT BY CHAIRMAN OF PRE-CONFERENCE MEETING (ON
ASSUMPTION PRE-CONFERENCE MEETING SUCCESSFULLY
DETERMINED ALLOCATION OF VICE PRESIDENCIES,
AGENDA, RULES, ETC.)

BREAK FOR LUNCH

AFTERNOON SESSION (PERHAPS 1530)

ADDRESS BY BOUMEDIENE.

ADDRESS BY SECRETARY KISSINGER.

2. FURTHER COMPLICATING FACTOR IS THAT WE HAVE NOW RECEIVED INVITATIO
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FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER AND SECRETARY BUTZ FROM SECRETARY GENERAL
MAREI FOR WFC-ORIENTED LUNCH. (FOREIGN MINISTRY SAYS WFC LUNCHEON
IS HOSTED BY WALDHEIM AND MAREI.) (GOI IS AWARE FO CONFLICT BE-
TWEEN WFC LUNCH AND FOREIGN MINISTER MORO'S LUNCH FOR SECRETARY
KISSINGER.)

3. FOREIGN MINISTRY PREFERS WFC SCHEDULE REPORTED REF. (A), PARA
4, WHICH WOULD SCHEDULE LEONE, WALDHEIM, AND SECRETARY TO SPEAK
BEFORE LUNCH. THIS WOULD MAKE FOR MORE EFFICIENT USE OF
SECRETARY'S TIME AND FREE HIM FOR PROPOSED LUNCHEON HOSTED BY
FOREIGN MINISTER MORO. FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS INFORMED US THAT
THEY WILL WEIGH IN WITH WFC ORGANIZERS TO STICK TO LEONE/
WALDHEIM/SECRETARY KISSINGER MORNING SCHEDULE. FOREIGN MINISTRY
HAS SUGGESTED THAT EMBASSY ALSO PUSH WFC ORGANIZAERS IN THIS
DIRECTION.

4. EMBASSY WILL DEFER ALL ACTION WITH REGARD TO WFC SCHEDULE
PENDING RECEIPT OF SECRETARY'S PREFERENCES AND INSTRUCTIONS.
WE NOTE THAT EFFORTS TO PUSH WFC ORGANIZERS TOWARD A MORE
STREAMLINED MORNING SCHEDULE COULD BE TAKEN AS, INTER ALIA, AN
EFFORT TO SEE THAT SECRETARY KISSINGER IS SCHEDULED TO SPEAK
BEFORE BOUMEDIENE, THUS POSSIBLY COMPLICATING OUR RELATIONS WITH
ALGERIANS.

5. ADDITIONALLY WE RECOGNIZE THAT A FULL DAY'S SCHEDULE
NOVEMBER 5 AT WFC, CULMINATING IN SECRETARY KISSINGER'S
ADDRESS (IF UN'S PROPOSED SCHEDULE HOLDS) MIGHT MAKE SECRETARY'S
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ATTENDANCE AT WFC LUNCH OF HIGHER PRIORITY OVERALL. AS INDICATED
ABOVE GOI WOULD PREFER PRIOR SCHEDULE WHICH WOULD PERMIT THE
SECRETARY TO SPEND LUNCH AND THE AFTERNOON WITH GOI LEADERS. WE
HAVE INDICATED THAT WE MUST AWAIT INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE CONFIRMING
THE SECRETARY'S PROGRAM AND THE MFA WORKING LEVEL UNDERSTANDS
THIS. IF THE SECRETARY IS CAUGHT UP IN A SCHEDULE IMPOSED BY THE
UN WE BELIEVE THE ITALIANS WILL BE DISAPPOINTED BUT

WILL ACCEPT THE IMPORTANCE OF THE WFC IN THE TOTAL PICTURE.

6. IN ANY EVENT EXPOSURE TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT LEADERS WILL BE CONSIDERABLE. FOREIGN MINISTER MORO IS PLANNING TO MEET THE SECRETARY AT CIAMPINO AIRPORT ON ARRIVAL AND WE LEARN THAT OTHER SENIOR GOI MEMBERS MAY ALSO ATTEND PRESIDENT LEONE'S DINNER NOVEMBER 4.

7. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE INSTRUCTIONS ASAP CONCERNING SECRETARY'S PREFERENCE FOR LUNCH NOVEMBER 5, AND INSTRUCTIONS WITH REGARD TO UN PROPOSED WFC SCHEDULE OUTLINED ABOVE.
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